

MOTHER ACCUSED OF BEATING HER 3-YEAR-OLD SON

Neighbors Say Child Fell Be-
cause of Whipping—Boy
Won't Go Home.

Three year old Moses Bekerman, son of Joseph Bekerman, now a soldier in France, and Mrs. Pauline Chery, wife of Joseph Chery, No. 394 East 107th Street, covered and whimpered in the Harlem Court this morning when his mother came into the courtroom to await her arraignment on a charge of felonious assault on her son.

"Don't take me home. Don't take me home," he cried, clinging to court attendants. "She beats me."

Mrs. Chery was arrested yesterday after occupants in the house reported to the Children's Society that little Moses had crawled to the door of their flat and fallen because of a whipping. It was declared his body

was found to be covered with bruises. Mrs. Chery was held in \$100 bail for a further hearing to-morrow, when it was announced, officials of the Children's Society will charge her with beating the child continually after taking him from an orphan asylum three months ago. Mrs. Chery sobbed when she was taken to a cell and breaking away from the court attendants, it was said she ran head first into the bars in an attempt to inflict injury on herself.

"She had been tolerating him only because she learned that the boy's father had made his \$10,000 army insurance policy payable to the child," said a children's society officer. "She married Chery soon after Bekerman joined the army two years ago. She did not care for the child and placed him in an orphan asylum on Staten Island. Since she brought him home the neighbors say she has whipped the child continually."

In the courtroom little Moses referred often to the "big house"—the orphan asylum—in tones of joy.

WRECK JURY HARD TO GET.

Third Panel Called To-Day for Trial of Motorman Luciano.

A third panel of taxmen was drawn in the Supreme Court at Minerva today for the selection of a jury to try Edward Luciano (Anthony Lewis), motorman of the "death train" in the Madison Street wreck. He is charged with manslaughter. One hundred and twenty-five taxmen were drawn last week of whom nine were tentatively accepted as jurors.

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After still further deductions for interest on bonds of subsidiary companies, extraordinary replacement fund and sinking fund for the bonds of the United States Steel Corporation, the total net income was \$158,631,856, which compares with \$244,738,908 in 1917.

SCHLEUTER'S WILL FILED.

Specialist Editor Left His Estate to Three Friends.

The will of Frederick Hermann Schleuter, formerly editor of the New York Volkszeitung and one of the most prominent Socialists in the city, was filed to-day with Surrogate Schulz of the Bronx. It leaves all his property, valued at about \$10,000, to three personal friends—Morris Weiskopf of No. 214 Riverside Drive, the former candidate for Mayor of New York; Phoebe A. Levene of No. 125 East 53d Street, and David Huhnow of No. 127 Stobbin Avenue, the Bronx—all of whom are named as executors.

Mr. Schleuter was a bachelor, having a sister and two nieces living in Hamburg, Germany. They are not mentioned in the will.

A SMOKE COST HIM \$50.

Manufacturer Had No Fireproof Partition Around His Office.

Smoking in the office of a factory building is a violation of the law if the partitions separating the office from the workrooms are not fireproof. It was decided to-day by Magistrate Harris in the West Side Court when he imposed a fine of \$50 on A. Breslau, a manufacturer of No. 37 West 36th Street.

Inspector Harry Leonard found Breslau smoking a cigar in his office and made the complaint.

TWO FINE FORUMS ON THE EAST SIDE A SATURDAY RECORD

Afternoon and Night Meetings
Arouse Vigorous Americanism.

The features of the two Saturday Americanization Forums of The Evening World were the enthusiasm and gratitude of the audience when they were told of the monument which will be erected on the east side to commemorate the boys of that district who lost their lives in the world war.

"I cannot praise The Evening World too highly," said Julian Goldman, President of the Downtown Chamber of Commerce, "for proposing this memorable tribute to the boys of the east side who gave their all to their adopted land, and for starting the campaign which will undoubtedly be a great success."

Mr. Goldman spoke at the evening Forum at Public School No. 4, Rivington and Pitt Streets.

"The valor of these sons should be perpetuated," he continued, "by just such a memento. There could be no tribute more fitting, more enduring, than the proposed monument. In years to come it will not only recall these heroes to all who lived in or visited the district, but it will serve as a mute example for the generations to come, one which should call forth the best that there is in American citizenship."

Dr. M. J. Katz, Chairman of the District Forum, then said a few words, and announced the entertainers of the Children's Talent Department. Each one "done himself proud," as the schoolboy has it. Little Rosalie Quinn sang and danced for the audience and evoked such enthusiasm that she was recalled to the platform several times. Maxine Helelo, a toe dancer, and Freda Loeschner, a singer, were the other two stars of the evening, but

Two Evening World Forum "Finds" Are "Star of Try-Out"



SAM AND
BESSIE
KURTZMAN

Sam and Bessie Kutzman
Have Charmed Many
Their Little Number

every youngster who went on the platform earned the almost riotous applause of the audience. If the clock could have been forgotten the children would be there yet.

Other proteges of the department were Rubin Brodsky, singer; Katharine Stevens, pianist; Mollie Silverman, dancer; Milton Abrams, pianist, and Elizabeth Nicholas, pianist.

Twelve police reserves were on hand to prevent the crowds from rushing into the hall.

The afternoon Forum, at Public School No. 62, of which Joseph S. Marcus is Chairman, was as usual an overwhelming success. Again the doors had to be locked, and hundreds of the latecomers were disappointed.

The "stars" of the children from the Talent Department were Martha and Georgianna Osmond, Amelia Schuman, Sonia Rabinowitz, Lillian Willing and M. Berkoff.

Martha and Georgianna sang a duet very well, and Amelia took the part of Pavlova in an excellent Russian dance in costume. Sonia, another dancer, also proved to be a "star" and M. Berkoff had the touch, the technique and the facility of a skilled pianist. Little Lillian Willing, the youngest member of the department, showed that although she was only three years old she was old enough to deliver a eulogy on the War Savings Stamp campaign which could be heard in every part of the great hall.

Although the audience wanted more, Lillian ran to her mother as soon as the speech was concluded.

Other juvenile entertainers were: Harriet Merber, pianist; Sabina Rott, pianist; Ida Kassin, speaker; Dorothy Miller, actress; Rebecca Kozon, violinist; Dorothy Rothenberg, dancer; Bertha Brakman, pianist, and Helen Schwedel, dancer.

Another feature of the afternoon forum was the community singing, led by Harry H. Schlaicht, Director of The Evening World Americanization Forums. The great crowd joined in one mighty chorus and sang the patriotic and popular songs of the day until it seemed as though the roof would jump from the school house. The final number on the programme was the movies, which were of a type calculated to promote Americanism and the best of citizenship. These were popular with old and young alike.

Plans are being completed for the greatest entertainment and "general good time" which was ever given to the children of New York. At this occasion, details of which will shortly appear in this column, every boy and girl who signed the application for the Children's Talent Department will be the guests of The Evening World.

Each member of the Department should watch this column carefully for the account of this and other features which will be announced within the next fortnight.

Yesterday the secretary returned a number of drawings and compositions which could not be used. A large number are being kept for future reference, and he is making plans whereby the artists and writers may take active part in the great entertainment with the singers, dancers and speakers.

Requests are still coming in for an opportunity to attend a "try-out" to qualify for appearance at one of the forums. The time for applications has passed, and no others will be considered under any circumstances. Every letter received a week after the department was closed was answered, and the fact that many have been returned by the postman proves that many must have been disappointed because they did not write their names and addresses clearly. As soon as possible those who were successful at "try-outs" will be assigned to Forums.

ROCKEFELLER FUND GIVES \$500,000 FOR SCIENCE RESEARCH

Foundation's Gift Provides for
Fellowships Over Period
of Five Years.

George E. Vincent, President of the Rockefeller Foundation, announced last night that that institution had undertaken to co-operate with the National Research Council in the promotion of a fundamental research in chemistry and physics. The foundation will appropriate \$500,000 to support, over a five-year period, research fellowships. The administration of the funds and the details of the plan will be in the hands of the Research Council.

Mr. Vincent's announcement, in part, reads:

"The following considerations have been of prime importance in the development of the plans of the National Research Council for pure research by American scientists:

"The sharpest industrial competition ever known will follow the war. German scientific efficiency has been greatly enhanced under the pressure of war necessity. England has made an initial appropriation of £1,000,000 for the promotion of research. Japan, Australia and Canada are planning

same family who qualified for the Americanization Forums.

Bessie Kurtzman, a nine-year-old dancer, has charmed many by her dainty and graceful prouetting on the public platform. She has all the grace of an accomplished dancer, and at the same time the distinctness and charm of a child. Her brother Sam has also done good work with his violin and has earned much applause. He is fourteen years old.

Bessie attends Public School No. 51, and Sam is a pupil at the Eastern District High School. Both live at No. 74 Rodney Street, Brooklyn.

BABES DEFY DAYLIGHT LAW.

Infants Refuse to Set Clocks Forward for Meal Time.

Little confusion is expected to-day as a result of setting the clock forward an hour. Those who "forgot" and got to work late today will be "c-o-e." It was said at the Grand Central Station that not more than half a dozen cases were noted yesterday of persons who missed trains because they had failed to change their watches.

One class of Americans that refuses to obey the law, however, consists of those who have come amongst us since last year's daylight saving experiment. These babies insist on getting their breakfast when they want it regardless of what the clock may say.

JEFFERSONIANS TO FEAST.

Arrangements have been completed for the annual Jefferson Day banquet of the National Democratic Club at the Hotel Astor April 12, the 167th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson. This year women will participate and it is expected that fully 800 persons will attend the dinner.

Gov. Smith will be present, and among others scheduled to speak are A. Mitchell Palmer, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Roosevelt and Secretary of the Treasury Glass. Ambassador David R. Francis, it is announced, has expressed a desire to attend and speak, and will do so if events do not demand his return to Russia.

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PRODUCE STORE BURNS.

Brooklyn Market District Fire Causes \$15,000 Damage.

A fire in the fruit and produce store of Benjamin Horie, No. 217 Market Avenue, in the Wallabout Market district, Brooklyn, this morning, did \$15,000 damage in that building and to those of Isaac Friedman, at No. 215, and Barnett Milner, No. 219 Market Avenue.